

June 1, 2010

BY FAX 202/219-3923

Mr. Jeff S. Jordan
Federal Election Commission
Complaints Examination & Legal Administration
999 E Street, NW
Washington, DC 20463

RE: Dean Black for Congress
MUR 6285

Dear Mr. Jordan:

Pursuant to my conversation with your Ms. Kim Collins today, I am forwarding by fax our partial response to your letter dated May 11, 2010 and received on May 15, 2010 by Mr. Wesley Bunce, the Treasurer, for the Dean Black for Congress campaign. We reserve the right to present additional information to the Federal Election Commission, as it becomes available or to submit any additional questions that might be raised by this inquiry.

Mr. Black's campaign will respond to the complaint of possible violations of FEC regulations brought by Mr. Bud Alheim and we will address all three (3) items contained in Mr. Bud Alheim's complaint dated May 6, 2010 in the order in which they were presented.

First, the allegation that the first quarterly campaign finance report for 2010 was filed late is incorrect and without merit. In fact, the report was filed on April 15, 2010 by United States Mail Service at the Main Post Office on Kings Road in Jacksonville, Florida, on or before 12:00 midnight.

There was a large crowd at the main Post Office because it was income tax filing day and our representative made two separate inquiries to insure that our campaign finance report would be postmarked prior to midnight in order to comply with the federal campaign finance statute. We followed the instructions of the United States postal employees that our report would be postmarked prior to midnight if mailed in the designated receptacle and made the necessary "good faith" effort to comply with the law's intent.

The campaign can provide an affidavit from the individual that actually mailed the report attesting to the fact that the campaign finance report was mailed prior to midnight on April 15, 2010, and should have been postmarked April 15th according to the advice received from the Post Office employees.

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Secondly, as to the allegation that the campaign's FEC-1 form was filed later than 10 days after the FEC-2 form was filed announcing an exploratory campaign finance committee, this simply is not true.

Any confusion that exists regarding this allegation is a direct result of the campaign including a duplicate FEC-1 form with the FEC-3 form because we had not yet received a FEC identification number. Originally, both the FEC-1 and FEC-2 forms were filed in a timely manner.

Thirdly, as to the allegation that the Dean Black for Congress campaign is receiving corporate contributions in violation of federal law, please be advised that we have complied with the law in every respect. The contributions described in the complaint were returned to the respective contributors as soon as the mistake was discovered and the individual contributors located. Additionally, these were some of the very first contributions that we received during the first week of soliciting funds. Refunds will be reported on our next quarterly report or on an amended report if the FEC requires it to be filed.

The campaign has included certified copies of the refund checks issued to Power Solutions, Inc. and TJSR Enterprises, Inc. for your information.

I can assure you that the Dean Black campaign for Congress intends to follow the law and abide by the rules set forth in the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended.

The campaign looks forward to a speedy resolution of Mr. Ahlheim's complaint and we stand ready to help clear up any misconceptions that might tend to raise questions regarding our compliance with the law.

Sincerely yours,

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cc: Dean A. Black
Wesley Bunco, Treasurer